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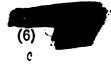
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New York Office, was instructed to furnish to the New York City Police. They the information regarding were also instructed to advise the Miami Division to furnish the information received there to the Dade County Sheriff's Office and New York also is to furnish this information to the New York City Police.





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FD-36 (Rev. 12-13-56) FBI Date: 12/24/57 AIRTEL Transmit the following in . (Type in plain text or code) (Priority or Method of Mailing) DIRECTOR, FBI TO SAC, ATLANTA (92-78) ALBERT ANASTASIA (DECEASED) TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE GIIF Reurairte1 12/19/57. There is no General Sherman Hotel in Atlanta or Atlanta area. Investigation reflects N.Y. interest purchased in recent months, The Henry Grady & Briarcliff Hotel, Atlanta, Efforts being made to determine if or captioned subject connected in instant purchase or Atlanta Hotels. New York requested to recontact NYCPD, in an effort to verify General, Snerman Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. information. Investigation continuing. · P Bureau - New York (92-659) (94-419) - Sub # 5)2- Atlanta (8) RECORDED-79 62 Altitil P DEC 26 1997 TELETYPE EX-132 Approved: . Special Agent in Charge

Date: 12/23/57 ATRTEL Transmit the following message via ____ AIR MAI (Priority or Method of Mailing) DIRECTO TO: FROM ALBERT ANASTASIA; RE: GI IF. suant to Bureau instructions, un basis information, a check made in vicinity Sahara Motel, 18135 Collins Ave., Sunny Isles, developed that directly opposite thereto was a new shopping center which extends for entire city block. In center of shopping center is located the Community Barber Shop at 18186 Collins Ave. An examination of instant barber shop reflects there is no rear room or upstairs wherein any person could hide out. However, directly behind shopping center area there is located an apartment building containing eight, one bedroom apartments at the address 18126 Atlantic Boulevard. This apartment building only building located behind shopping center. RECORDED-35 - Bureau (AM) - Miami 15 DEC 26 1957

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Real Estate, 1451 N. Bayshore Drive, Miami, advised that new shopping center wherein barber shop located and apartment building previously mentioned were owned by J. A. Cantor. made available leases for that building, but names of the lessees of the apartments did not appear of any significance, and it was noted all had occupied their apartments for some period of time. Apartment #3 has been vacant since 12/1/57, when the previous occupants moved out.

Additional contact had with

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The results of above telephonically furnished Assistant Director ROSEN same date.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions received 12/21/57,

SA telephonically furnished details of above to Dade County Sheriff's Office , at 10:15 PM, same date.

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In absence request for additional investigation, case being considered closed.

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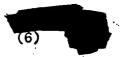
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Re New York airtel 12/13/57

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70 : Mr. Boardman 19.57

DATE: December 18, 1957

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FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: ALBERT ANASTASIA

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

With further reference to the check that is being made by the Miami Office with reference to the above-entitled matter, the following is submitted.

SAC Williams states that they have been checking on the barber shop and it is located in the jurisdiction of the Sheriff's Office in Dade / County. It is a new area.

The barber shop is so situated that you could look directly through it to the rear and no one could have occupied any area in the rear of the barber shop. However, there is a wooden fence separating the rear of the barber shop from a new apartment building immediately adjoining. It is situated on a new street which has just been opened and a check of the apartments indicates that nothing of significance is known of any of the tenants with the exception of one, which appears to be an apartment occupied by the Fontaine Racing Account

With reference to the other occupants they are also going to check with the large rental agency that built and maintains the apartment. The apartment, it is also noted, is separated by one vacant lot from a canal which runs immediately behind it.

J. A. Cantor Associates is the real estate outfit maintaining the apartment, and Miami states that they believe them to be reputable. They

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have been there for a number of years, and Miami plans to check the leases for the various apartments to determine whether any information of significance can be developed.

I told Williams to make these checks of the leases, and to follow up on the reinterview of to see if he has come up with any additional information and that after these checks are made, by we will then decide what further action would be taken.









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It was suggested that available employment records at Idlewild Airport be checked. New York was told to furnish further identifying data regarding.

New York was also instructed to telephonically apprise Chicago regarding this matter, and to have them identify

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Goldacted the office of the for the purpose of gathering material to write a series of articles on the activities of hoodlums and gamblers in Havana. that they would attempt to ascertain the tie-up between the Caban Government and the American hoodlum element that has moved into indicated further that they were attempting to develop information concerning the reasons for the murder of ALBERT ANASTASIA and the identities of the individuals behind this murder.

said that in the event they should develop any information which would be of value to the Bureau, he would advi the office of the Legat.

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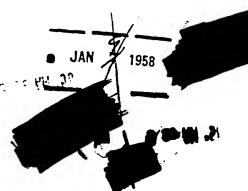
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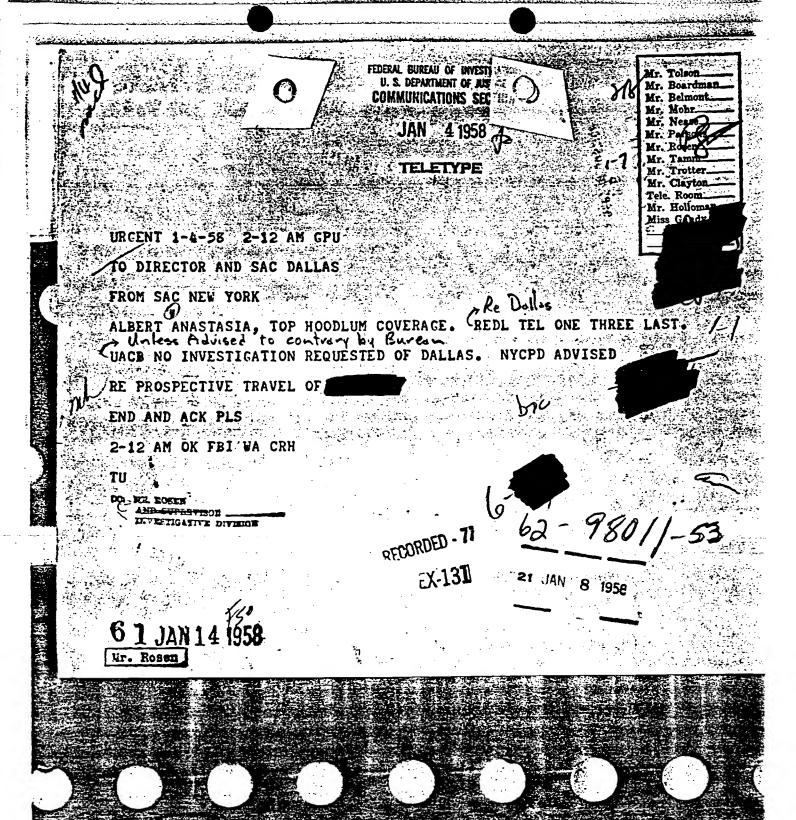
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Mr. Rosen



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN DATE: 12/18/57

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: ALBERT ANASTASIA

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE

With reference to the information from Miami relative to Anastasia, I called SAC John Williams to ascertain developments to date.

I asked Williams if he had any knowledge concerning the present activities of

ACTION BEING TAKEN

I told Williams to keep after this matter to see if anything further could be developed and that he should call me back concerning developments. Williams stated they were checking in the area of the barbershop; that this location was in the Sunny Isles part of Miami Beach and they were at the present time trying to see what could be developed. He will call later.

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FBI Date: 1/7/58 PLAIN TEXT Transmit the following in (Type in plain text or code) AIR MAIL AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing) DIRECTOR, FBI TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-180) FROM: ASTASIA ALBERT GIIF - TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE Reference is made to previous communications from this office furnishing information re allegation of the location of the murderers of ALBERT ANASTASIA which information, pursuant to Bureau authority in New York teletype dated 12/21/57, was furnished Dade County Sheriff's Office, Miami, Fla. bD RECORDED - 48 Bureau (AM) - New York (AM) EX-128 2 - Miami 72-48 12 JAN 8 19 670 Approved: \(\(\frac{\cdot \text{0}}{\cdot} \)

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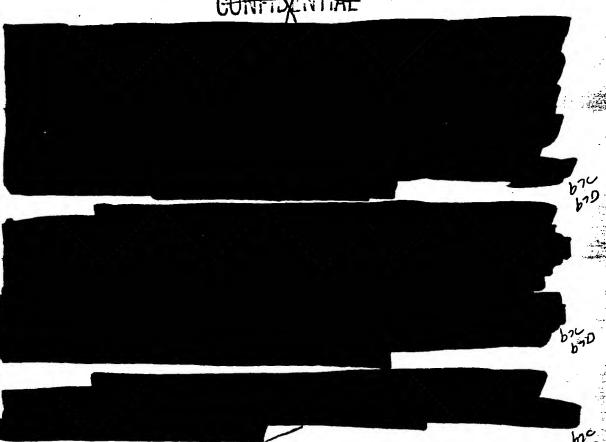
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In this regard, former SA indicated on February 27, 1958, that he had heard a rumor that Anastasia's murder had nothing to do with Cuban gambling activities. According to the rumor, Anastasia was murdered by the "Irish gang" in New York City as a result of an argument over the control of the waterfront.

ALBERT G. VAUGHAN, Officer in Charge of the local Immigration and Naturalization Service Office in Havana, who has insisted that his identity remain confidential in this matter, advised on March 6, 1958, that the exclusion of MEYER LANSKY from Cuba by Cuban Minister of Interior SANTIAGO REY was caused by pressure brought to bear on Cuban President FULGENCIO BATISTA by American Ambassador EARL E. T. SMITH and Assistant Attorney General TOMPKINS. He said that TOMPKINS came to Cuba ostensibly in connection with the Neutrality Act investigation of but that he "got together" with Ambassador SMITH and together they influenced President BATISTA to instruct SANTIAGO REY that LANSKY should be excluded from Cuba (S-1) (C)

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Mr. VAUGHAN said that Ambassador SMITH was supposedly the only American in Cuba who knew that this had transpired but that he (VAUGHAN) had learned it from TOMPKINS because of a close personal friendship that he has with TOMPKINS. According to VAUGHAN, TOMPKINS believed that by forcing LANSKY out of Cuba and back to the United States, enough bad publicity could be brought to bear on LANSKY to make him "tell what he knows about the Anastasia murder." (S-1)

The Office of the Legal Attache, Havana, has noticed a recent development of a strong reluctance to furnish information on the part of some important American gamblers who previously had been developed to the point where they were willing to furnish some information to this office. Based on the information set forth above from it would appear that these gamblers have received information from high Cuban officials that the American Embassy was behind MEYER LANSKY's exclusion from Cuba. (5-1)

The Legal Attache, Havana requests that the information furnished by Mr. VAUGHAN not be revealed to anyone outside the Eureau since it would jeopardize the source. In the event the Eureau desires to make available the information furnished by concerning the comments made to him by high Cuban officials, identity should not be revealed.

Sufficient extra copies of this letter have been prepared so that the Bureau may forward copies to New York and Miami Offices for captioned file as well as files on MEYER LANSKY and For that purpose six copies are furnished the Bureau, and in addition four copies are furnished for New York as well as three copies for Miami (Information).

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Hotel Files \$500,000 Suit Against Anastasia Barber

The Park Sheraton Hotel, which recently was defeated in the courts in its attempt to break the lease of the ground-floor barber shop in which mobster Albert Anastasia was murdered, has brought suit against barber shop owner Arthur Grasso for \$500,000 damages, it was disclosed yesterday in Supreme Court.

The hotel corporation charged that Grasso violated a "good conduct" clause in his lease by "soliciting" the business of known
underworld characters, including
Anastasia, who was gunned to
leath in a barber chair last Oct.

The hotel named an alternative
judgment for the court to con-

sider: forfeiture of the lease and \$12,000 damages.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

:DIRECTOR, FBI

1/17/58

:SAC, ALBANY (92-139)

SUBJECT: ALBERT ANASTASIA (DECKASED)
TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE GIIF

Re New York airtel to Bureau 12/16/57.



- Bureau - New York City (94-419, Sub 5)

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According to a news release in 1939, JOHN MELITO was indicted with 67 men and one woman for conspiracy to defraud the Federal Government of alcohol taxes approximating five million dollars through maintenance of 12 unregistered stills in Utica and vicinity over a five and one-half year period. In June, and vicinity over a five and one-half year period. In June, 1939, MELITO was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the 1939, MELITO was convicted of internal revenue taxes and sentenced United States Government of internal revenue taxes and sentenced to prison for a term of one year and one day and fined \$1,000.00. He was paroled March 13, 1940. In a news releasedated 1/9/39, JOHN MELITO was described by Assistant District 1/9/39, JOHN MELITO was described by Assistant District Attorney JOSELIT as the "front" man for JOSEPH and SALVATORE FALCONE, alleged leaders of the still ring.







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(Rev. 12-13-56) 2/13/58 Date: Transmit the following in -(Type in plain text or code) AIRTEL (Priority or Method of Mailing) DIRECTOR, FBI TO: SAC, NEW YORK (94-419-Subfile 5) FROM: ALBERT ANASTASIA, wa. (Deceased) SUBJECT: TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE GIIF It is to be further noted that recently District Attorney HOGAN, NY County, issued a wanted notice for questioning concerning one murder HOGAN indicated he wanted to talk to of ALBERT ANASTASIA. Based upon this, the information that , NYCPD. was in NYC was furnished to telephonically advised the NYO that DA HOGAN's men picked up and he appeared before the NY Goanty Grand Jury on 2/12/57. Results of interview by HOGAN not known On 2/13/57, NYCPD, Bureau 1 - Miami 18 FEB 14 1958 3 - New York (94-4. 6 Approved 1-92-886) Sent _ 510 a

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Date: 2, LJ., Transmit the following message via AIRTEL DIRECTOR, FBI TO SAC, NEW YORK (94-419sub5) FROM ALBERT AMASTASIA SU BJEC TOP HOODLUNE COVERAGE GIIF Re NY airtel to Bureau, dated 11/19/57. byD was in NYC was furnished Information to the MYCPD as they were vitally interested in connection with the death of ANAST. SI... bas on 2/24/58, and is to appear before MY County Grand Jury on 3/3/58. REC- 39 62-98611-62 Bureau - Los ingeles (62-3157) $(1 - 9\bar{2} - 106)$ bV EX-136 **20** FEB 28 1958 - New Orlonns. - Phoonix - Hew York - New York (92-718)

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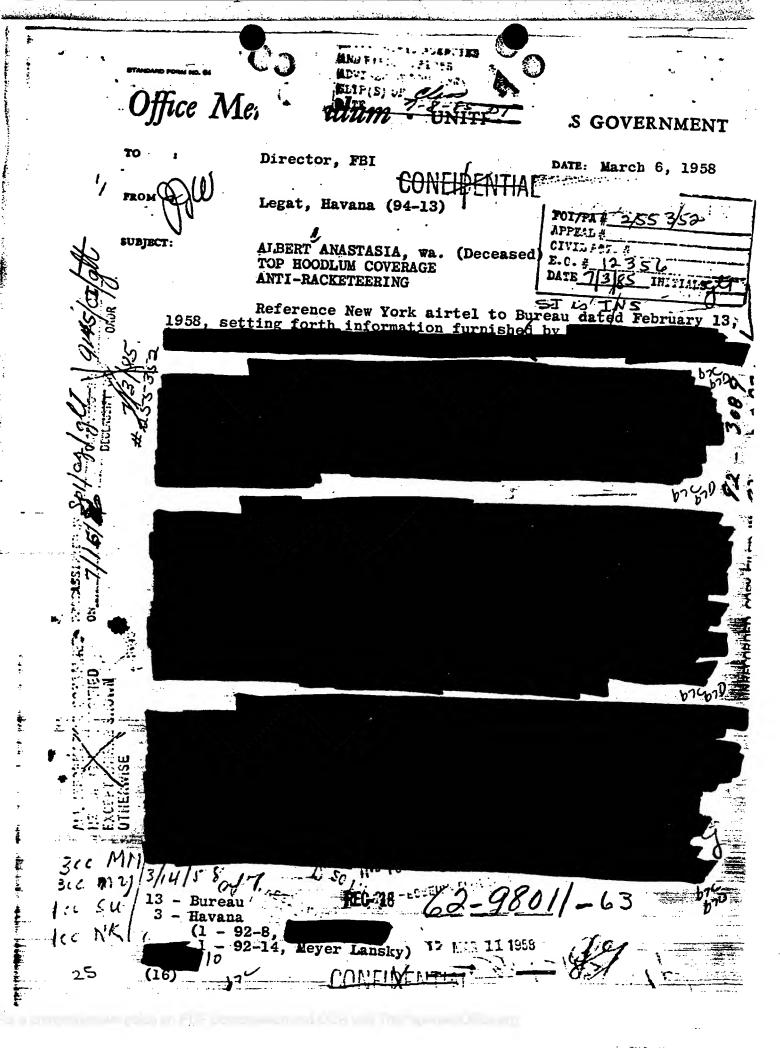
The New Orleans Office is requested to check the name through the office indices and furnish background concerning to the NYO.

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ALBERT ANASTASIA (DECEASED) GIFF - TOP HOCDLUM COVERAGE

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 $_{\rm Re~MK}$ airtel to Director dated 1-7-58, and MM letter to NY dated 1-7-58.

Inasmuch as there is no further investigation for Miami, this matter being considered RUC.

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to : MR. TOLSON

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SUBJECT:

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yesterday he had received an inquiry from Associated by Press concerning a report from Naples that the FBI had asked the Italian Police to locate Sonny Pinto (ph.) in connection with the Anastasia murder and that he had said that he had no comment to make.

Today, "The New York Post" ran an article on the Anastasia case pointing out that Pinto is believed to be identical with Carmine Di Biase u. S and referred to the report from Italy that the Italian Police had been asked to locate Pinto. It quotes Powers as denying that Federal agents had entered the case and that he had refused to comment on whether the FBI was looking for anyone on another case in Italy.

Powers stated he has not talked to the Post or anyone else other than the Associated Press and his only reply had been "no comment."

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cc-Mr. Boardman cc-Mr. Rosen cc-Mr. Jones GAN:jmr (5) REC- 35

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TO : Mr. J. B. Adams 7-18-74

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST CONCERNING SUBJECT: ALBERT ANASTASIA; VITO GENOVESE; NICOLA GENTILE; CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, AKA,; SALVATORE MARANZANO

> We propose furnishing the attached documents, including reports and public source material, concerning the following subjects to Alan Block, a historian at Alfred Univeristy, Alfred, New York:

> > Albert Anastasia (62-98011; 92-2573;

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Names and identifying information on all individuals and businesses, other than subjects, have been deleted except in public source data.

No pertinent identifiable data was located concerning Salvatore Maranzano.

This request was initially coordinated with the Special Investigative Division.

Mr. Block has submitted the necessary deposit.

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That upon approval, the attached documents be returned to the Freedom of Information Act Unit, Legal Counsel, for completion of processing and transmittal to Block.

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ALBERT ANASTASIA (Deceased)

The New York "Daily News" of 3/27/69, carried an article on page three under the by-line of William Federici with the headline "Anastasia Suspect Seeks to Leave U. S."

The above article stated that the prime suspect in the 1959 gangland slaying of Anastasia had applied to the New York State Parole Board for permission to leave the United States. The alleged suspect, not named in the article, was said to have been paroled last year after nearly seven years in the Greenhaven prison for assault and robbery.

Through appropriate discreet contact of the New York State Parole Board determine the identity of the alleged suspect and advise the Bureau.

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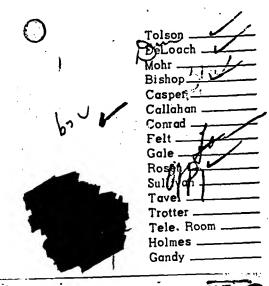
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Anastasia Suspect Seeks to Leave U.S.

By WILLIAM FEDERICI

The prime suspect in the gangland slaying of Mafia chieftain Albert Anastasia has applied to the State Parole Board for permission to leave the country.

According to Albany sources yesterday the suspect says his family is now living in Italy and he would like to join them. His application was made several months ago, a source revealed, but a decision has not been reached by the board.

Not Ready to Move In

The suspected killer of the Mad Hatter, as Anastasia was called, was paroled last year after serving nearly seven years in Greenhaven prison for assault and robbery.

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Sources told THE News that authorities were not yet in a position to move in on the suspect, but were keeping him under surventiance. It was said that he had been under "loose observation"

Meanwhile, District Attorney
Frank Hogan's investigation was
accelerated yesterday as several
more witnesses were questioned
in the 1957 murder, which took
place in the ground floor barbershop of the Park Sheraton Hotel.

Hogan respond the seas year

Hogan reopened the case recently on the basis of major new developments.

A mystery man who recently gave strong corroborative statements to investigators was exed-

ited with giving Hogan's ruffier the chance to bring the case before a grand jury.

"Solid" Witnesses

They have had three "solid eyewitnesses" able to identify the two killers, a source close to the investigation said.

It was also reported yesterday that on the first day of the questioning of witnesses, who include barbers, shoeshine men, a valet and a manicurist and several others subpensed by Hogan, one of them told a story that dillered from the one given right after the killing.

Investigation by both DA squad detectives and cops from Manhattan South Homicide over the last 11 years has revealed that at least two other gunmen were lurking in other locations near the barbershop just in case the assigned pair missed. But they didn't. Anastasia was hit five times.

The four gunmen became known in the underworld as the "barber-shop quartet."

New information has been pouring into Hogan's office since it was learned that he had reactivated the case. According to one source, "it seems that more and more people are willing to talk now."

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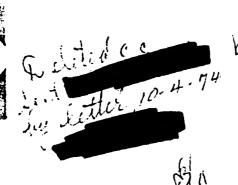
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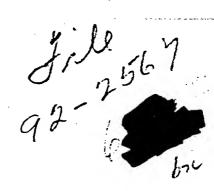
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Only Family Members at Brief Rites

Dockers Mourn

At Funeral Home;

Bodyguard Quizzed

By AL TURK,

With the ghosts of men he had ordered violently dispatched to eternity outnumbering mourners at his funeral, Albert Anastasia today was buried quietly and swiftly in Brooklyn's Green-Wood Cemetery.

Only 14 members of the family of the former enforcer of Murder Inc., were at the graveside on a slight rise near 32nd St. and 5th Ave. as his body was committeed to non-consecrated ground. He had died as he lived—by assassination—and the rites of the Catholic church had been denied him.

20-Minute Ceremony.

The entire ceremony took 20 minutes and the six-car cortege which had entered the ceme ery at 25th St. and 5th Ave. where about 100 cur ous had gathered, sped out by anothen exit. The funeral was in sharp contrast to other gangland burials.

No long lines of cars, no profusion of flowers. Mourners accupied four cars, trooped quielly to graveside by signal, repeated prayers led by a funeral director and just as silently returned to their autos.

When a nother Anastasia brother, Joseph, a dock hiring boss, died last year there was a mile-long cortege, \$15,000 in floral tributes and a burial casket worth \$6000.

While a cold wind toppled floral pieces by the grave, Anastisia's plain \$900 casket

inclosed in a wooden bott was lowesed into the earth. The mourners each tossed a pink rose after it.

A high police official said it was one of the "quietest and quickest" gangster funerals he ever had seen.

Only four of the six cars carried mourners. One held the body, the other carried about a dozen floral offerings. Chauffers for the autos acteo

as pallbearers.

By contrast, there were nine vehicles transporting detectives, newspaper reporters and photographers and news reel men. These were stopped at the cemetery gate by police.

Press Barred.

Albert, 55, who was sho down last Friday, didn't like the press very much, by his brother's admission, and they were barred from his perivecs. Even their view at the ceme tery, from outside a fence, was cut off by forming a few large floral pieces as a shield,

hear collapse at the burial ceremony and was supported by her son, Albert Jr., 22. Earlier in the Andrew Torregrossa & Sons Funeral Home at 13th Ave. and 79th St., she had swooned after breaking into sobs.

The cortage left the funeral home at 9:50 a.m. after brief services there for the underworld kingpin said to have been responsible for the death of at least 63 men. In the procession also were Albert's brothers, Anthony (Tough Tony) and Gerardo.

Another brother, the Rev. Salvatore Anastasia, was not at the funeral. But spectators at the cemetery said they recognized him as the priest who had visited the grave and apparently prayed earlier in the morning.

The funeral parlor opened at 8 a.m. and received a steady stream of longshoremen in working attire who filed past the casket and paid their respects to Tony, Brooklyn dock boss. William Bradley, president of the International Longshoremen's Assn. (Ind.) and his general organizer, Thomas (Teddy) Gleason, were first to arrive. They left shortly thereafter.

400 at Funeral Home,

About 400 persons milled outside the funeral home, a handsome white cement bailding set on a terrace, and a dezen police kept the spectations in check. Angels on paques under the roof edves looked down on the scene.

While gangland's slain chief executioner thus was going to his feward police spurred their search for clues to his killers. At the same time, Anthony Corpola, bodyguard for the dead man, was acquitted of vagrancy charges on which he had been held in \$50,000 bail.

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Stories Conflict.

Much official attention centered on Coppola, the pudgy man who wasn't there when the man who hired him as a bodyguard was shot to death. Coppola, 49, had given con-flicting stories as to his whereabouts when his boss was killed. He was described

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Costello was shot in the head May 2. but only slightly wounded. Detectives investigating this murder attempt learned that the elder states man of mobdom had been discussing gangland business with an outsider, who repeated Costello's revelations to fed. eral officers.

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not fooling.

"Whom do you mean by Frankie?"

"Frankie C., but it's not Costello. That's all."

And the mysterious caller hung up. The phone call came while Anastasia's body was still warm on the barbershop floor. The same caller - or someone who sounded just like him-contacted Mr. Cook only two hours after Costello was shot. At that time, he warned: "If Albert or Freddie steps in, they'll get it, too."

Meanwhile, other detective squads scoured the city for a number of top-chelon hoodlum; who have been conspiciously absent from their usual haunts since Anastasia was

chopped down.

Among those sought for questioning is Anthony Tony Bender) Strollo, mob boss of Greenwich Village. Strollo has not been seen for a week or more

Police believe the two gunmen who gave Anastasia a lethal dose of his own medicine were imported to New York from another city, possibly Philadelphia. Their descriptions have been sent to every law enforcement agency in the nation.

'A Little Headway.' Chief Inspector Thomas Nielson told reporters last night: "I think we're making a little headway in the case."

He refused to elaborate on

this comment, however.

Anastasia's chauffeur body.

guard, Anthony Coppola, 49, is held in \$50,000 bail on a technical charge of vagrancy.

Among other things, police are trying to find out why he wasn't with his boss at the time of the murder. Coppola hits told conflicting stories conearning his activities lasi Friduy, police say.

THREE-STAR EXTRA Victor Riesel 10/28/57

> The punishment fit the crime today for the Lord High Executioner of Murder, Inc. Albert Anastasia was laid to rest in a grim little cemetary on the outskirts of New York, and there were very few mourners. As a matter of fact, the caravan of newspapermen and newspaper photographers outnumbered the number of mourners.

But back in New York there was considerable activity, because it was learned that Albert Anastasia--the man who was reputed to have killed sixty-one people, or directed their murder--was under investigation again by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the agents had been grilling him for some three weeks at the direction of crusading U.S. Attorney Paul Williams.

last Tuesday, Three-Star Extra learned, Paul Williams brought together a new Grand Jury and told them that one of the men he was going after was Anastasia. This was about the time that the underworld was getting mighty weary of the Lord High Executioner. For almost five years they had been urging him to retire. For five years they considered him a liability, and in the opinion of the most informed men in the Federal Government, it was this effort to dispatch Anastasia, to keep from new scandals breaking around that famous name -- that name that was synonymous with violence -- that finally led the underworld to hit him.

Most of the Barons of the underworld are now mighty wealthy. They want no attention. They know that everytime a scandal breaks the Treasury Agents come down upon them, accountants rip their books wide open, the police drag them in, and soon everybody knows their business. This time they decided to dispatch Anastasia before the scandal broke.

This is Victor Riesel.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT nce Memorandum

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DATE: 10-29-57

ALBERT ANASTASIA

This is submitted in connection with the Director's inquiry concerning a statement in an article published in the 10-29-57 "New York Herald Tribune" to the effect that Anastasia, who was killed in gangland fashion last Friday, had been questioned by FRI Agents within the last the by FBI Agents within the last three weeks. Anastasia was interviewed. only on one occasion by Bureau Agents and this was on 9-12-57.

We have checked with ASAC E. J. McCabe of the New York Division who in turn checked with the Newark Division inasmuch as Anastasia resided in Palisade, New Jersey and McCabe advised that b_{20} Anastasia had been interviewed by Bureau Agents on only one occasion. This interview took place on 9-12-57. The interview was conducted and lasted Anastasia was interviewed with in the office of for approximately thirty minutes. reference to his connection with the Madison Dress Company, Hazleton Pennsylvania. Anastasia admitted that he had owned a 50% interest in this company since 1948 but that he had not participated in the operation of the company and that the company was operated by bフン

This interview was conducted in connection with an Anti-Racketeering investigation which was requested by Assistant United States Attorney Charles H. Miller of the Southern District Investigation was completed in a report of New York on 7-22-57. submitted by the Newark Division on 9-20-57, which is the report incorporating the interview with Anastasia. The case is now pending a decision of the United States Attorney's office in the Southern District of New York.

We have also secured the details of comments made by Victor Riesel on the "Three-Star Extra" news program over National Broadcasting Company on 10-28-57. In this broadcast, Riesel stated that Anastasia was under investigation by the FBI and Agents had been grilling him for some three weeks at the direction of crusading United States Attorney Paul Williams 1692-1567-13

The statement by Riesel is not accurate since we interviewed

Anastasia only on one occasion and this interview was 50135 a half hour in length. ASAC McCabe checked with Assistant United States Attor

*into allegations the company had "paid off" union representatives and racketeers

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Memorandum to Mr. Rosen

Miller of the Southern District of New York who advised that Anastasia had not been interviewed at all by the United States Attorney's office.

Riesel also said in his broadcast that Williams had brought together a new grand jury and told him that one of the men he was going after was Anastasia; that the underworld had considered Anastasia a liability and for almost five years had considered Anastasia a liability and for almost five years had been urging him to retire. Riesel further indicated in his broadcast that Anastasia was killed to keep new scandals from broadcast that Anastasia was killed to keep new scandals from breaking out since such scandals caused Treasury Agents and the police to intensify action against the underworld.

It is noted that the Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York which has been hearing witnesses with regard to Anti-Racketeering atters in the garment industry expired last summer and the United States Attorney's office impaneled a new grand jury on 10-22-57. This new grand jury is also to hear witnesses grand jury on 10-22-57. This new grand jury is also to hear witnesses regarding Anti-Racketeering matters. Little public notice was taken of the fact that this new grand jury was impaneled and no information has been received that it was to be concerned with Anastasia's affairs.

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